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**VIA ECF**

Magistrate Judge Lehrburger  
The Honorable Robert W. Lehrburger  
United States District Court Southern District of New York  
500 Pearl Street, Courtroom 18D  
New York, NY 10007

**Re: *Hafizov v. BDO USA, LLP, et al.*; Case No.: 1:22-cv-08853 (JPC) (RWL)**

Dear Magistrate Judge Lehrburger:

Pursuant to Your Honor's March 19, 2024 Order, Defendants BDO USA, P.C. ("BDO"), Janet Bernier, and Matthew Dymont (together, the "Defendants"), with the consent of Plaintiff Rinat Hafizov ("Plaintiff"), respectfully request a 30-day extension to the litigation stay period for the purpose of effecting a resolution of the claims.

The Court had previously granted a 30-day litigation stay to permit the Parties to devote their efforts to reaching a mutually agreeable resolution of this matter. *See* Dkt. No. 178. During that period, the Parties have exchanged drafts of an agreement. However, the Parties require additional time to finalize and agree upon the specific terms. To this end, we request that the litigation stay period be extended until May 20, 2024.

Respectfully,

Lindsay F. Ditlow

cc: All counsel (via ECF)